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FOR: DISK REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND DISK REPRODUCING METHOD

Enclose	ed are:					
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	Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-152378					
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$\overline{\boxtimes}$	An assignment of the invention to Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.					
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	A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.					
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